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The AMSAT News Service bulletins are a free, weekly news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS publishes news related to Amateur Radio in space including reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:
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>From AMSAT HQ KENSINGTON, MD.
March 10, 2019
To All RADIO AMATEURS
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JVC Kenwood, a proud supporter of ARISS, generously gave a brand new TS-890S for ARISS to auction. They first offered the radio for sale in the US in the last half of 2018. Kenwood has been a super supporter of ARISS for years, and it was the company's idea for this radio, with astronaut signatures, to be an exclusive that just one ham operator could own! The company hopes you'll be a bidder who wants to support ARISS.

The limited edition 2019 ARRL Handbook for Radio Communications sold out fast once ARRL posted their ad. It was the first time that ARRL divided the Handbook into volumes, which nestle in a hard slipcase. ARRL, an ARISS sponsor along with AMSAT and NASA, saved back one boxed set to give ARISS for the fund-raiser auction.

When you bid in this auction you could be the crucial person who helps ARISS launch its new custom-built higher-power radio system in 2019 with its voice repeater and improved packet APRS and SSTV capability that thousands of hams enjoy. The new system will replace the aging, problematic units currently on the ISS. You may be the winning bidder who helps ARISS continue introducing ham radio to thousands of students, teachers, parents, and whole communities—and inspiring students about science, technology, engineering, math, and radio!

Don't forget; set yourself a reminder: bidding starts April 8th at 12:00 UTC and ends April 14th at 22:00 UTC.

Be the winning bidder for one or both of these two exclusive offerings and you'll own a rare article that makes your ham station a classic! More auction details will soon be posted at www.ariss.org including that winning bidders will be responsible for shipping costs and for handling any required customs paperwork. ARISS thanked JVC Kenwood and ARRL for their generous support.

And if you don't do auctions, please contribute a donation to help ARISS launch its new radio system into space—look for the Donate button near the top right corner of the www.ariss.org page. Thank you!

About ARISS

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) is a cooperative venture of international amateur radio societies and the space agencies that support the International Space Station (ISS). In the United States, sponsors are the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT), the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the Center for the Advancement of Science in space (CASIS) and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). The primary goal of ARISS is to promote exploration of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) topics by organizing scheduled contacts via amateur radio between crew members aboard the ISS and students in classrooms or public forms. Before and during these radio contacts, students, educators, parents, and communities learn about space, space technologies, and amateur radio. For more information, see www.ariss.org.

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[ANS thanks ARISS for the above information]

AMSAT-F Space Meeting is First Live DATV Conference via QO-100

AMSAT-Francophone offered live DATV video of their 2nd Space Meeting on March 9-10, 2019. AMSAT-F (http://site.amsat-f.org/) and Electrolab (https://www.electrolab.fr/) have deployed a DATV ground station to operate via the QO-100 transponder.

The DATV team led by Yannick Avelino and with the support of Evariste, F5OEO developed the station that will transmit live the conference. The team was in contact with AMSAT-DL and AMSAT-UK for permission to operate the satellite during these days. They thank AMSAT-DL for allowing these transmissions.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-Francophone for the above information]

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have an idea for how to help, please let us know, Details on
volunteering can be found at
https://www.amsat.org/volunteer-for-amsat/

[ANS thanks AMSAT Executive Vice President Paul Stoetzer, N8HM, for
the above information.]

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@AL6D_Alaska. I’m operating ninja portable like the good ole days,
QRP with two FT-817NDs and an arrow, hopefully that doesn’t attract
too much negative attention from customs in Russia.
73,
Gabe “Harambe” Zeifman
AL6D/VE6NJH/Harambe1

+France (JN07)
March 10, 2019
Jérôme, F4DXV, will be in JN07 on Sunday with his family. Due to the
rarity of this grid on amateur satellites, Jérôme hopes to be on the
16:55 utc AO-7 pass for South American and North American grid
chasers. Being part of a family trip, keep an eye on Jérôme’s Twitter
feed for updates: https://twitter.com/F4DXV

[ANS Thanks Robert Bankston, KE4AL, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of six post-secondary years in this status.

Contact Martha at the AMSAT office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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